

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114(c)
Application Number 09/2887,264

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REMARKS

Applicant has amended claims 16, 18, 40 and 42 to clarify the claimed invention.

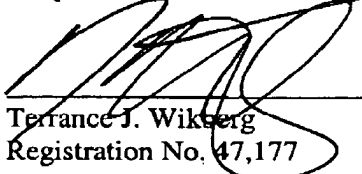
Additionally, Applicant has added claims 60-87, which are similar to claims 15-18 and 39-42, to depend on independent claims 25, 26, 27, 32, 35, 46 and 58, respectively. Applicant submits that these newly added claims are allowable, at least for the same reasons as claims 15-18 and 39-42.

Applicant hereby requests entry of the present amendment.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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